



## Greenhouse Friendly™ Accreditation at a glance

**Q: What accreditation does Greenfleet have?**

A: Greenfleet is now recognised as an Approved Abatement Provider under the Department of Climate Change's Greenhouse Friendly™ programme.

**Q: What does being an Approved Abatement Provider mean?**

A: An Approved Abatement Provider has been through a rigorous application process that takes into account all aspects of the organisation's operations. For a Forest Sink Abatement Provider like Greenfleet this means that all aspects of their forest's planting, carbon measurement, monitoring, maintenance, permanence and ownership is scrutinised by an independent verifier before being approved by the Department of Climate Change.

**Q: Does that mean that Greenfleet will now be selling Greenhouse Friendly™ abatement (carbon credits)?**

A: Not yet. Greenfleet forests are still relatively young and need to grow further before carbon credits can be returned from the forests. Greenfleet is an Approved Abatement Provider and the carbon from its maturing forests will be re-measured and verified to confirm that its calculations on the amount of carbon offset within its forests are correct. This will happen in the near future and Greenfleet will then be able to sell Greenhouse Friendly™ approved abatement (carbon credits).

**Q: What does Greenfleet's accreditation mean to the buyer / consumer?**

A: When purchasing Greenhouse Friendly™ abatement the buyer knows that the quality of the forest plantations they are contributing towards are set by the Federal Government's Department of Climate Change. Greenfleet's status as an Approved Abatement Provider means that the organisation is bound by strict criteria in how it plants, monitors and maintains its forests. It has also had to provide guarantees of the permanence of the forests and proof of ownership of the carbon that is held within it.

Greenfleet also has to show that its forest plantings are additional to business as usual, so you can be assured that you are making a real difference in the fight against climate change.

**Q: What can Greenhouse Friendly™ Abatement be used for that normal offsets cannot?**

A: Greenhouse Friendly™ Abatement can be used by:

- Greenhouse Friendly™ product and service providers to offset the emissions associated with their certified product or service;
- Greenhouse Challenge Plus™ members as an offset in their Greenhouse Challenge Plus™ emissions inventories or to meet greenhouse goals as Greenhouse Challenge Plus™ Leaders; and
- Greenhouse Friendly™ approved abatement can also be sold outside the Greenhouse Challenge Plus™ framework.